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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
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Plaintiff,)
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v.)
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FRANCISCO ROMERO VIAN,)
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Defendant.)
_____)

No. CR 3-08-70172 JCS

STIPULATION AND [PROPOSED]
ORDER CONTINUING HEARING TO
MAY 21, 2008 AT 9:30 A.M. AND
EXCLUDING TIME FROM APRIL 24,
2008 THROUGH MAY 21, 2008

On March 28, 2008, the parties in this case appeared before Magistrate Judge Joseph C. Spero for an initial appearance on a criminal complaint charging passport fraud. The defendant was released on a \$50,000, unsecured personal recognizance bond. At that time, the parties requested and the Court agreed to set the preliminary hearing for April 24, 2008. Since that March 28 appearance, the parties have been in discussions and appear to be close to a resolution. Although the parties are close to resolving the matter, it is clear that counsel for defendant will need a short amount of additional time to conclude consultations with immigration counsel regarding the case. These consultations are required for the effective preparation of defense

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counsel in his representation of defendant.

The parties hereby jointly and respectfully request that the Court continue this matter to Wednesday, May 21, 2008 at 9:30 a.m., before the duty Magistrate Judge Edward M. Chen for a preliminary hearing.

The parties further stipulated that pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure (FRCP) 5.1(d), the time limits set forth in FRCP 5.1(c) be excluded from April 24, 2008 through May 21, 2008. The parties agree that – taking into account the public interest in prompt disposition of criminal cases – good cause exists for this extension. Defendant also agrees to exclude for this period of time any time limits applicable under Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161. The parties represented that granting the continuance is the reasonable time necessary for continuity of defense counsel and effective preparation of defense counsel, taking into account the exercise of due diligence. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(B)(iv). The parties also agreed that the ends of justice served by granting such a continuance outweighed the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A).

SO STIPULATED:

JOSEPH P. RUSSONIELLO
United States Attorney

4/22/2008
DATED: _____

/s/ Derek Owens

DEREK R. OWENS
Assistant United States Attorney

4/23/2008
DATED: _____

/s/ Steven Teich

STEVEN EMERY TEICH
Attorney for Mr. Vian

For the reasons stated above, the Court hereby vacates the April 24, 2008 hearing before Magistrate Judge James Larson and continues it to Wednesday, May 21, 2008 at 9:30 a.m., before the duty Magistrate Judge Edward M. Chen for a preliminary hearing. The Court further finds that an exclusion of time from April 24, 2008 through May 21, 2008 is warranted and that

1 the ends of justice served by the continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the
2 defendant in a speedy trial. See 18 U.S.C. §3161 (h)(8)(A); FRCP 5.1(d). The failure to grant
3 the requested continuance would deny the defendant of continuity of counsel and would deny
4 defense counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the
5 exercise of due diligence, and would result in a miscarriage of justice. See 18 U.S.C.
6 §3161(h)(8)(B)(iv).

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8 SO ORDERED.

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10 DATED: _____

11 THE HONORABLE JAMES LARSON
12 United States Magistrate Judge
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